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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a Divisional application of prior pending Application No. 09/147,441, filed March 2, 1999.

For (Title): PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF MODIFIED CARBON BLACK FOR
RUBBER REINFORCEMENT AND PROCESS OF PRODUCTION OF RUBBER
COMPOSITION CONTAINING MODIFIED CARBON BLACK

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4. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.
5. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This is a Division of Application No. 09/147,441, filed March 2, 1999, which is a §371 of International Patent Application No. PCT/JP98/00567, filed February 12, 1998. The disclosure of the prior applications are hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.--
6. ☒ Priority of Japanese application Nos. 9-1126296 filed April 30, 1997; 9-112905, filed April 30, 1997; 9-144225, filed June 2, 1997; 9-146796, filed June 4, 1997; 9-206901, filed July 31, 1997; and 9-224082 filed August 20, 1998 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).
7. ☒ The certified copies were received in prior Application No. 09/147,441 from the International Bureau.

8. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd recorded at Reel 9828, Frames 0726 and 0727 on March 2, 1999.
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